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# Headquarters EMPLOYEE BULLETIN

## AGENCY ASSISTANCE TO TRAINING PROGRAMS OF DOMESTIC POLICE DEPARTMENTS

1. Representative Edward I. Koch of New York recently asked us about the New York Times' December 17th story that New York City police had received CIA training. He said such training violates the provision in the National Security Act of 1947, which bars us from engaging in <sup>INTERNAL SECURITY FUNCTIONS</sup> domestic law enforcement activities. Although <sup>inform</sup> our Legislative Counsel <sup>that</sup> believes we have not violated the law, Representative Koch took the matter to the Congress. Thereafter, the Director assured Representative Chet Holifield, Chairman of the Government Operations Committee, that there would be continuing compliance with the law <sup>but</sup> and that in view of the sensitivity no such activities would be undertaken in the future except in the most compelling circumstances and with the Director's personal approval.

2. In recent years the Agency has, on request, provided briefings and assistance to training programs of about a dozen U. S. city and county police forces. Our help has focused on demonstrations of explosive devices, the technique for explosive residue detections, and trace metal detection (a test developed by the Agency for use overseas to determine the type of weapon a suspect has handled). The briefings referred to by Representative Koch involved 12 officers of the New York City Police Department during the period 11-14 September 1972. Topics covered dealt with basic theories of intelligence, clandestine collection methodology, and the analytical function.

3. The Agency and Representative Koch still differ on the relationship of our help to the restrictions in the National Security Act. However, except as indicated in paragraph one, the Director has decided not to give further training (help) to non-Federal police because of (a) the drain on Agency resources and (b) recognition that such activities could result in misunderstanding and concern by the public.

(Somewhat in conflict with Jamar's letter to Koch but in line with Holifield's letter to Director)

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JMM:

1- I've attached employee Bulletin for your coordination, I am left with uncomfortable feeling that;

- A) the Agency has done something wrong, and
- B) ~~you believe otherwise~~ you believe otherwise

2- I have written in red ink changes to correct this impression. I have also inked in a change in the 1st TP, 2nd sentence which inaccurately states that Koch complaint involved "domestic law enforcement activities" rather than "internal security functions". Also I ~~recognize~~ have struck "non-Federal" in the last TP, since it suggests that help would be available to Federal police wherever they may be) and the Director made no such distinction. Finally, (a) in TP 3, suggests a concern with drain on Agency resources, which your letter to Koch summarizes, and Holtfield letter to Director stresses. ~~xxxxxx~~

Sharon  
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DD/S - PLS told this until  
bulletin issued - we may still  
be rewriting & I'd like to have record  
what we said  
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